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AN ACT CONCERNING COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE ACT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2016) The chief executive 2 officer of each municipality with a population of more than one 3 hundred thousand, as enumerated in the 2010 federal decennial 4 census, and having a total area of not more than thirty square miles, 5 shall establish and appoint members to one community investment board for each neighborhood in the municipality. Each community 7 investment board may be comprised of, but need not be limited to, 8 residents, business owners, religious leaders, community development 9 corporation representatives and community group representatives.

Sec. 2. Section 4-66*l* of the 2016 supplement to the general statutes is amended by adding subsection (j) as follows (*Effective October 1, 2016*):

(NEW) (j) Any municipal revenue sharing grant awarded pursuant to subsection (f) of this section to a municipality whose chief executive officer has established community investment boards pursuant to section 1 of this act may be expended by such municipality as follows: (1) Thirty-five per cent of such grant shall be expended on priorities identified by the community investment boards established by the municipality pursuant to section 1 of this act, (2) thirty-five per cent of

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- 19 such grant shall be expended on priorities identified by the legislative
- 20 body of the municipality, and (3) thirty per cent of such grant shall be
- 21 expended on priorities jointly agreed upon by the community
- 22 investment boards established by the municipality pursuant to section
- 23 1 of this act and the legislative body of the municipality.
- Sec. 3. Section 12-18c of the 2016 supplement to the general statutes
- 25 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 26 October 1, 2016):
- 27 (a) There is established an account to be known as the "select
- 28 payment in lieu of taxes account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing
- 29 account within the General Fund. The account shall contain any
- 30 moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the
- 31 account shall be expended by the Office of Policy and Management for
- 32 the purposes of making select grants to municipalities and districts for
- payments in lieu of taxes as provided for in subsection (d) of [this
- section] section 12-18b, subparagraphs (B) and (C) of subdivision (1) of
- subsection (e) of section 12-18b, and subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of
- 36 section 12-18b.
- 37 (b) Any select grant for payment in lieu of taxes awarded pursuant
- 38 to subsection (a) of this section to a municipality whose chief executive
- 39 <u>officer has established community investment boards pursuant to</u>
- 40 section 1 of this act may be expended by such municipality as follows:
- 41 (1) Thirty-five per cent of such grant shall be expended on priorities
- 42 identified by the community investment boards established by the
- 43 municipality pursuant to section 1 of this act, (2) thirty-five per cent of
- such grant shall be expended on priorities identified by the legislative
- 45 body of the municipality, and (3) thirty per cent of such grant shall be
- 46 expended on priorities jointly agreed upon by the community
- 47 investment boards established by the municipality pursuant to section
- 48 1 of this act and the legislative body of the municipality.
- 49 Sec. 4. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2016) (a) Not later than January 1,
- 50 2018, the Office of Policy and Management shall create and maintain

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an Internet web site that will allow residents and organizations to submit proposals for solutions to specific urban area problems to the

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- (b) If the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee, determines that a proposal is viable, the secretary shall identify a municipality or neighborhood in which to establish a pilot program to implement the proposal, establish the pilot program in such municipality or neighborhood, monitor the implementation of the pilot program and assess the results of the pilot program.
- (c) The Office of Policy and Management shall, within available appropriations, provide a monetary award to each resident or organization that submits a proposal pursuant to subsection (a) of this section if such proposal becomes the basis for a pilot program and the secretary, or the secretary's designee, determines that such pilot program was successful after assessing the results of such pilot program pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.
- Sec. 5. (*Effective July 1, 2016*) (a) There is established a task force to study the manner in which state funding is utilized by nonprofit providers and to review the requirements imposed on nonprofit providers by state agencies and compliance with those requirements by nonprofit providers.
- 72 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:
- 73 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, 74 one of whom shall have expertise in nonprofit administration and one 75 of whom shall have expertise in economics;
- 76 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;
- 77 (3) Two appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives;
- 79 (4) Two appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;

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- 80 (5) Two appointed by the minority leader of the House of 81 Representatives; and
- 82 (6) Two appointed by the minority leader of the Senate.

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- (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member of the General Assembly.
 - (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority.
- (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.
 - (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to economic development activities impacting local governments shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.
 - (g) Not later than January 1, 2017, the task force shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to economic development activities impacting local governments, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it submits such report or January 1, 2017, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:			
Section 1	October 1, 2016	New section	
Sec 2	October 1, 2016	4-661	

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Sec. 3	October 1, 2016	12-18c
Sec. 4	July 1, 2016	New section
Sec. 5	July 1, 2016	New section

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